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Classified By: Ambassador Paul A. Trivelli. Reasons 1.4 (B,D).

(C) Post received Reftel after the release of the U.S. statement on Iran. On June 1, DCM demarched Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Norman Caldera on the subject and received Caldera's assurances that the Nicaraguan government (GON) will support the U.S. in public and private. Caldera will assign Vice Minister Mauricio Gomez to draft a GON declaration. Caldera also offered to talk to the Nicaraguan Ambassador to Mexico to speak to his Iranian counterpart who also covers Nicaraqua from Mexico -- and to give him a copy of the declaration. He will also share a copy of the Caldera reiterated that his GON declaration with us. government will urge Iran to take advantage of the opportunity. Ambassador met with President Bolanos and Foreign Minister Caldera on June 2 and also raised the issue. Bolanos reiterated GON support for the U.S. effort. Caldera assured Ambassador that the GON's public statement will be released shortly. TRIVELLI